

Our mission: CVUU strives to be a caring religious community that encourages and supports the sharing of ideas and experiences of all who travel rich and varied spiritual paths

# Coming Home

The newsletter of the Cache Valley Unitarian Universalists March 2019 VOLUME 25, ISSUE 3



### **Sunday Services**

all services begin at 10am

March 3: Invisible People Series – Homeless: Tara Hawkins
March 10: This I Believe: Jo and Jordan Leary
March 17: TBA
March 24: This I Believe: Anne Stark
March 31: TBA

### SUNDAY COMMUNITY DONATION (MARCH, APRIL)



LOGAN PRIDE FOUNDATION works to strengthen the LGBTQ community, individuals, their families, and allies through advocacy. We strive to bring the communities of Cache Valley and Northern Utah together in equality and love.

<u>CVUU is a proud sponsor</u> of the Logan Pride Festival.

## IN OUR THOUGHTS



- Friends, members, and their families mourning the loss of loved ones
- Friends, members, and their families struggling with physical or mental illness and other life struggles
- \* We hold in our hearts all of those around the world in harm's way

"We light this chalice, for the warmth of love, the light of wisdom, and the energy of action"

### TARA'S CORNER



**Homelessness:** The second part of my Invisible People Series will be on homelessness. This is a very real problem and a complicated one.

However, there are some interesting programs out there that you should be aware of. Also, I'll be handing out information about charities that work directly with the homeless in case you want to volunteer or donate.

It's an interesting fact that it costs less to house someone then it does to allow them to be homeless.

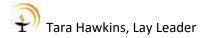
CVUU Lay Leader Tara Hawkins introduces the Lyric Repertoire Company at the Tabernacle Concert series. Photo credit, *Julianne Larsen* 

Another interesting fact is that because Logan does not have a homeless shelter we have to pay \$100,000 a year to the state. The state does not use this money for housing homeless people. The money is used for policing homeless people.

This time of year homeless people suffer from frostbite. This can lead to having to have fingers or toes amputated.

It's not that there isn't enough room in the shelters, the problem is that not everybody trusts the shelters. Some people would prefer to stay outside in the freezing cold rather than go to a charity or government institution.

Please come to services this Sunday, March 3rd, to learn more about homelessness and what can be done to help homeless people. Thank you.



| Events & Announcements |
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| Mar<br>7   | <b>SOCRATES CAFÉ</b> will meet at the on the <b>first Thursday of the month</b> for stimulating questions and lively discussion. For more information visit the <u>Socrates Café page</u> .  |
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|            | <b>Contact info:</b> Dave Christian at <u>dchristian999@gmail.com</u><br><b>Thursday: 7 to 8:30pm</b><br>Juniper Room, Logan City Library: 255 North Main, Logan   |
| Mar<br>14  | Cache Clean Air & Faith<br>Presbyterian Church (200 W. Center St., Logan)<br><b>Thursday: 6:00 pm</b>  |
|            | <b>Summary</b> : Science, health, spirituality, faith, religion? We make decisions<br>every day that affect the nature we enjoy in Cache Valley. Join us as Derek<br>Forbes, Ravi Gupta, and Dominic Sur will share perspectives from Christian<br>Presbyterian, Buddhist, and Hindu religious traditions on our air quality and<br>home. Refreshments will be served. |
| Mar<br>21* | <b>CVUU BOARD MEETING:</b> All are welcome. CVUU Members are encouraged to attend (2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month).   |
| 21         | <b>*Thursday: 6-7:30pm</b> (note day change)<br>CVUU Kitchen   |
| Mar<br>31  | <b>5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY POTLUCK:</b> Join us for a potluck following the Sunday service.<br>Bring a dish or other food item to share. Come for fellowship even if you don't do church. All are welcome!   |

#### Sunday: 11:30pm

**SINGING GROUP:** Music director Lyndi Perry has heard there is interest in forming a singing group to practice harmonizing and preparing songs for some of our more celebratory services.

Please email <u>Lyndiperry@gmail.com</u> or text to 435-237-9489... just say you are interested and if there are at least 4 people we will setup some practice times. Thanks for your interest in music!



### Board Meeting Highlights (Tues 2/19/19, 6pm)

1. Thanks to everyone who came to our ideas potluck on Saturday 2/16. We are

still consolidating the post-its, and will discuss them in detail at the next board meeting on Thurs 3/21.

2. If you are in a group that uses the building, please check with the building coordinator (building@cvuu.org) if you need to change meeting times. Do not just show up without asking. Other groups reserve the building too!

3. The board approved for Cassie Seikkula to take over as director of the Cache Pride Center. Cassie has done tremendous volunteer work over the past year, and it's about time she was recognized for it.

4. We continued to discuss adding a lift to make the youth room ADA accessible. For zoning reasons, a commercial lift is more expensive than expected. Continuing to explore other options.

#### Next meeting: Thurs 3/21/19, 6pm

All are welcome!

#### \* POSITION VACANCY JULY I: ORGANIZATIONAL COORDINATOR

- Fields inquiries coming in via the website and misc. items from UUA that need updating
- Make sure people are on task with what needs to be done
- Referrals to appropriate parties
- Tech savvy or willing to learn: GSuite, Google Drive, Wordpress, Mail Chimp, etc.
- Make sure contacts are kept up to date in newsletter, website, directory
- Newsletter: request info, compile info, send out, add link to website
- Website: Update content in a timely manner, ie. upcoming services, events, etc. plugin updates, security, etc.
- Social media posts, ie. Facebook
- Currently acts as temporary Worship Coordinator
   \* This is currently a paid staff position

Contact Susan at <u>coordinator@cvuu.org</u> for more information and/or if you are interested in this position.

#### NEEDED: SUNDAYS@CVUU COORDINATOR

• Coordinate Worship Team tasks, staff and volunteers to make sure Sunday services are on track to happen

For more information contact Susan at <a href="mailto:Sundays@cvuu.org">Sundays@cvuu.org</a>

#### NEEDED: SUNDAYS@CVUU VOLUNTEERS

GREETERS: Are you outgoing and/or like to meet new people? Then, we need you as a Sunday morning greeter!

- Arrive at about 9:45am
- Welcome attendees
- Handout the Order of Service
- Direct newcomers / visitors to the Sanctuary
- Put up the screens when the service begins

#### KITCHEN / COFFEE SETUP:

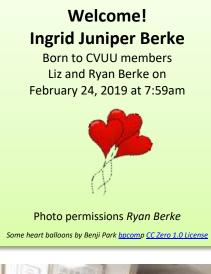
- Arrive 20 minutes early
- Make coffee (instructions available) and plug in hot water urn
- Set out tea, creamer, sugar, etc.
- Set out mugs (plates / utensils, napkins when needed)
- Put out snacks from the (west) cupboard in the kitchen

That's it! Volunteer for one or the other either one time or as an on-going service to the church.

Contact Susan at <u>Sundays@cvuu.org</u> to see if either of these volunteer opportunities might be the right fit for you.



Baby shower for Liz and Ryan Berke on Sunday, February 3. Carrot cake made by Jenny Norton welcomes Ingrid Juniper Berke. Photo credit: *Susanne Janecke* 











Carole Warburton presents on her faith journey at a recent *This I Believe* Sunday service. Photo credit: *Susanne Janecke* 



CVUU Music Director, Lyndi Perry leads hymns during a recent Sunday service. Photo credit: *Susanne Janecke* 



#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Member at Large: Jim Vandygriff Member at Large: Jordan Leary President: Anne Hedrich Secretary: Ryan Berke Treasurer: Lorien Belton Vice President: George Wootton

#### **STAFF** (PART-TIME)

Childcare Assistant: Kirsten Mara Lay Leader: Tara Hawkins Organizational Coordinator: Susan Buffler Sunday Music Coordinator: Lyndi Perry Worship Associate Coordinator: Sondra Scott

#### **ACTION TEAM LEADS (VOLUNTEER POSITIONS)**

Art: Susanne Janecke Building Manager: Liz Berke Cache Community Connections liaisons: Tara Hawkins & Julianne Larsen Children's Program Coordinator: Jordan Leary Administrator / Finance: Lorien Belton Community & Caring: - Membership: OPEN - Fellowship & Hospitality: OPEN - Caring: Jim Evans Environmental & Social Justice: Jenny Norton & Paul Rogers Grounds: Jean Lown Our Whole Lives Sexuality Education: Lorien Belton **Special Committees:** Nominations: Susanne Janecke, Jenny Norton, Julianne Larsen Committee on Ministry: Susanne Janecke, George Wootton Sundays@CVUU Coordinator: Susan Buffler

#### **BOARD LIAISONS**

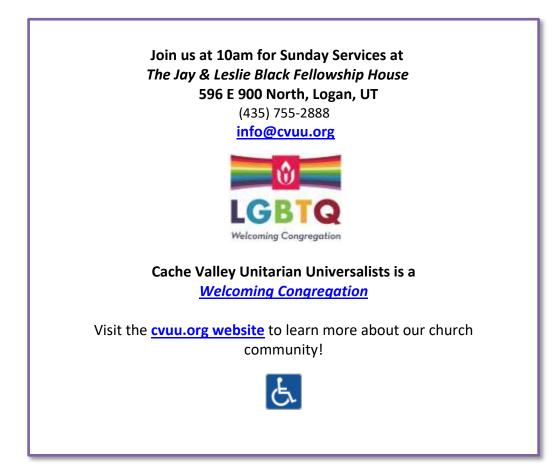
Building: Ryan Berke Membership: Anne Hedrich Religious Exploration: Jordan Leary Worship Team: George Wootton

Feedback on Sunday services: Susanne Janecke

**DO YOU HAVE FEEDBACK FOR US ON CVUU SERVICES?** Ideas, comments, or concerns about CVUU services? Please give compliments directly to those giving the services, but direct any complaints or concerns through Susanne.

**Contact:** Susanne Janecke is the main point of contact, regardless of who conducted the service: <u>susanne.janecke@usu.edu</u>

| CVUU CALENDAR: MARCH 2019   |   |  |   |  |   |     |  |  |
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| Sun   | Μ   | Т  | W   | Th   | F   | Sat |  |  |
| <b>900 North</b><br>UT unless   | s listed here are held<br>a, <b>Logan,</b><br>otherwise noted.<br><u>nnections</u> tab on the | I<br><u>Cache Pride</u><br><u>Center Teens</u><br>5-8pm                            | 2   |  |   |     |  |  |
| 3<br>Sunday<br>Service<br>Inivisible<br>People -<br>Homeless          | 4<br><u>Cache Valley</u><br><u>Buddhist</u><br><u>Sangha</u><br>7:15pm                        | 5<br><u>Cache Pride</u><br><u>Center</u><br><u>Pre-Teens</u><br>Pre-Teens<br>5-8pm | 6<br><u>Amrita</u><br><u>Yoga Satsang</u><br>6:30pm | 7  | <b>8</b><br>Cache Pride<br>Center Teens<br>5-8pm  | 9   |  |  |
| 10<br>Sunday<br>Service<br>This I Believe<br>(Jo and Jordan<br>Leary) | <br>Cache Valley<br>Buddhist<br>Sangha<br>7:   5pm  | 12<br>Cache Pride<br>Center<br>Pre-Teens<br>5-8pm                                  | <b>I 3</b><br>Amrita<br>Yoga Satsang<br>6:30pm      | 14   | <b>15</b><br>Cache Pride<br>Center Teens<br>5-8pm | 16  |  |  |
| 17<br>Sunday<br>Service<br>TBA  | <b>18</b><br>Cache Valley<br>Buddhist<br>Sangha<br>7:15pm                                     | <b>19</b><br>Cache Pride<br>Center<br>Pre-Teens<br>5-8pm                           | 20<br>Amrita<br>Yoga Satsang<br>6:30pm              | <b>21</b><br>CVUU Board<br>Meeting<br>6-7:30pm | 22<br>Cache Pride<br>Center Teens<br>5-8pm        | 23  |  |  |
| 24<br>Sunday<br>This I Believe<br>(Anne Stark)                        | 25<br>Cache Valley<br>Buddhist<br>Sangha<br>7:15pm  | 26<br>Cache Pride<br>Center<br>Pre-Teens   | 27<br>Amrita<br>Yoga Satsang<br>6:30pm              | 28   | <b>29</b><br>Cache Pride<br>Center Teens<br>5-8pm | 30  |  |  |
| 31<br>Sunday<br>Service<br>TBA<br>5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday<br>Potluck   | April I   | 2  | 3   | 4  | 5   | 6   |  |  |



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